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The Importance of Respecting Messengers

Baba and Mansoor sit under a tree after Asr prayer, with Mansoor holding his favorite storybook.

Mansoor: Baba, can you tell me a story today? Something special, like the ones you tell me about the prophets!

Baba: Of course, my son. Let me tell you a story that is not only special but teaches an important lesson from the Quran. Do you remember Prophet Musa (Moses) and Prophet Isa (Jesus), peace be upon them?

Mansoor: Yes, Baba! Musa split the sea, and Isa spoke even as a baby! They were amazing prophets!

Baba: Indeed, they were. Allah mentions them in the Quran, saying:

"And We certainly gave Moses the Torah and sent messengers after him. We also gave Jesus, son of Mary, clear signs and strengthened him with the Holy Spirit."
(Surah Al-Baqarah 2:87)

Mansoor: Wow! Allah gave them so many blessings. But what happened after that?

Baba: Many people respected these prophets, but some became arrogant. Allah says in the same verse:

"Every time a messenger came to them with something they did not like, they became arrogant. Some they denied, and others they even killed."

Mansoor: That's so sad, Baba! Why would anyone do that?

Baba: Sometimes, my dear, when people hear something they don't want to follow, they reject it instead of thinking carefully. Let me tell you a story to help you understand.

Mansoor: Please do, Baba!

Baba: Once upon a time, in a village, there lived a wise man named Zaid. One day, Zaid noticed a fire spreading near the forest. He quickly ran to the villagers and shouted, "The fire is coming! Move to the riverbank to stay safe!"

Mansoor: Did they listen to him?

Baba: Not all of them. Some villagers said, "Why should we listen to Zaid? He's always warning us!" Others said, "The fire won't reach us." But a few wise villagers listened and moved to the riverbank. When the fire reached the village, only those who followed Zaid's advice were safe.

Mansoor: That's like the prophets, isn't it, Baba? They warned people, but some didn't listen.

Baba: Exactly, my son. Allah sent prophets to guide us because He loves us. We must listen to their teachings with open hearts and follow them. It's a sign of our respect and love for Allah.

Mansoor: I understand, Baba. We should always trust the messengers and follow what they say because they only want what's best for us.

Baba: Mashallah, Mansoor. That's the right attitude. And remember, by respecting the prophets, we grow closer to Allah.

Mansoor: I'll always try to follow their teachings, Baba. Thank you for the story!

Baba: You're welcome, my dear. May Allah always guide you on the straight path.

The Danger of Hardening the Heart

Baba and Mansoor are sitting in their garden after Maghrib prayer. Mansoor looks thoughtful after finishing his Quran lesson.

Mansoor: Baba, my teacher taught us a verse today. It says something about hearts being wrapped. What does that mean?

Baba: Ah, you must mean the verse where Allah says: "And they said, 'Our hearts are wrapped.' But, in fact, Allah has cursed them for their disbelief, so little is it that they believe."

(Surah Al-Baqarah 2:88)

Mansoor: Yes, Baba! But why would someone's heart be wrapped?

Baba: Let me explain it with a story, Mansoor. Once, there was a boy named Salman. Salman loved to play with his toys but never listened to his parents when they asked him to pray or read the Quran. His parents kept reminding him, but he always said, "I don't need this now; my heart doesn't feel like it."

Mansoor: Oh no! That doesn't sound good.

Baba: One day, Salman's teacher gave him a small plant and said, "Take care of this plant by watering it every day." Salman was excited at first and watered the plant daily. But soon, he got busy with his games and forgot about the plant. Slowly, the plant dried up, its leaves withered, and it died.

Mansoor: That's so sad, Baba. Why didn't he take care of it?

Baba: Exactly, my son. Just like that plant, our hearts need care. When we pray, read the Quran, and do good deeds, it's like watering our hearts. But if we ignore these things and keep rejecting what Allah tells us, our hearts become hard and wrapped, just like the verse says. It becomes difficult to accept good advice or believe in Allah's guidance.

Mansoor: So, Salman's plant is like his heart? If he didn't care for it, it dried up?

Baba: Yes, exactly! And that's what happens to people who keep rejecting Allah's guidance. Their hearts become closed, and they lose the ability to feel the truth.

Mansoor: What should I do to keep my heart open, Baba?

Baba: Mashallah, that's a good question. Always pray on time, read the Quran, and be kind to others. Also, never ignore good advice, even if it feels hard to follow. That's how you keep your heart soft and full of light.

Mansoor: I'll try my best, Baba. I don't want my heart to be wrapped or hard.

Baba: That's my boy. Remember, Allah loves those who turn to Him and keep their hearts pure.

Recognizing and Accepting Truth

Baba and Mansoor are sitting together in their living room after Isha prayer. Mansoor looks curious about his Quran lesson from earlier.

Mansoor: Baba, my teacher explained a verse today about people not accepting the truth even when they recognized it. Can you help me understand?

Baba: Of course, my dear. The verse you're talking about is where Allah says:

"And when there came to them a Book from Allah confirming that which was with them - although before they used to pray for victory against those who disbelieved - but when there came to them that which they recognized, they disbelieved in it; so the curse of Allah will be upon the disbelievers."

(Surah Al-Baqarah 2:89)

Mansoor: Why would someone reject something they know is true, Baba?

Baba: That's a very good question, Mansoor. Sometimes, people let their pride or jealousy stop them from accepting the truth. Let me tell you a story to help you understand.

Mansoor: Yes, please, Baba!

Baba: Once, there were two friends, Ahsan and Zubair. Both were studying for a big competition. Ahsan worked hard, studied, and won first place. The teacher praised him and said, "You followed my guidance perfectly!"

Mansoor: What about Zubair?

Baba: Zubair, instead of being happy for his friend, felt jealous. Deep down, he knew that Ahsan deserved the prize because he followed the teacher's instructions. But instead of admitting it, Zubair started saying, "The competition was unfair!"

Mansoor: That's not nice, Baba. Why would he do that?

Baba: Because he let jealousy and pride cloud his judgment. Similarly, Allah sent the Quran to confirm the guidance given to earlier prophets, but some people rejected it even though they recognized it as the truth. They didn't want to admit that it was the final message from Allah.

Mansoor: I see, Baba. So, like Zubair, they knew it was right but couldn't accept it because of their feelings?

Baba: Exactly, my son. Allah wants us to always accept the truth, even if it's hard for us. Rejecting the truth knowingly is a big mistake.

Mansoor: I'll try my best, Baba, to never let pride or jealousy stop me from doing what's right.

Baba: Mashallah, Mansoor. That's the spirit. Always remember, Allah loves those who are humble and accept His guidance.

Mansoor: Thank you, Baba. I'll remember this lesson.

Baba: You're welcome, my dear. May Allah keep your heart pure and open to the truth.

Appreciating Allah's Favors

Baba and Mansoor are walking in the park after Asr prayer. Mansoor has just finished learning about a verse in the Quran that left him curious.

Mansoor: Baba, today we learned a verse that said people earned "wrath upon wrath" because they didn't like that Allah gave His blessings to others. Why would someone feel that way?

Baba: That's a very thoughtful question, Mansoor. Allah mentions in the Quran:

"How wretched is that for which they sold themselves—that they would disbelieve in what Allah has revealed through their outrage that Allah would send down His favor upon whom He wills from among His servants."

(Surah Al-Baqarah 2:90)

Let me explain this with a story.*

Mansoor: A story? I'd love to hear it, Baba!

Baba: Once, there were two neighbors, Hasan and Bilal. Hasan was very hardworking and kind, while Bilal was always comparing himself to others. One day, Hasan found a rare fruit tree in his yard. He shared the fruits with all the neighbors, including Bilal.

Mansoor: That was kind of Hasan! What did Bilal do?

Baba: Instead of being grateful, Bilal felt jealous. He thought, “Why didn’t I get this tree? Why does Hasan get all the blessings?”

Mansoor: But that’s not fair, Baba. Hasan didn’t do anything wrong.

Baba: Exactly, Mansoor. Allah gives His blessings to whomever He wills, and we should be happy for others. But Bilal let his jealousy grow. He stopped talking to Hasan and even spread mean stories about him. Eventually, he lost all his friends because of his behavior.

Mansoor: Oh no! So his jealousy made him lose more than he gained.

Baba: Yes, and that’s what the verse teaches us. Instead of being jealous or angry about Allah’s blessings to others, we should focus on being grateful for what we have. Jealousy only brings harm to ourselves and displeases Allah.

Mansoor: I understand now, Baba. So, when Allah blesses someone, we should feel happy for them and thank Allah for our own blessings.

Baba: That's right, my son. Always remember, Allah knows what's best for everyone. Be grateful, stay kind, and you'll find true happiness.

Mansoor: Thank you, Baba. I'll make sure to always appreciate what Allah gives me and not feel jealous of others.

Baba: Mashallah, Mansoor. May Allah keep your heart pure and full of gratitude.

The Value of Accepting All Truth from Allah

Baba and Mansoor are sitting in their living room after Maghrib prayer. Mansoor looks puzzled as he flips through his Islamic studies book.

Mansoor: Baba, today we read about a verse in the Quran where Allah says some people believe only in parts of His revelation and not all of it. Why would they do that?

Baba: Good question, Mansoor. Allah mentions this in the Quran:

"And when it is said to them, 'Believe in what Allah has revealed,' they say, 'We believe [only] in what was revealed to us.' And they disbelieve in what came after it, while it is the truth confirming that which is with them."

(Surah Al-Baqarah 2:91)

Let me tell you a story to help you understand.*

Mansoor: Oh, I love your stories, Baba! Please tell me.

Baba: Once, there were two brothers, Imran and Sameer. Their father left them a treasure map with clear instructions on how to find the treasure. But the map was in two parts. One part was with Imran, and the other was with Sameer.

Mansoor: That sounds exciting! What happened next?

Baba: Imran decided to use only his part of the map. He said, "This is the map my father gave me, and I don't need anything else." He refused to accept Sameer's part, even though it completed the instructions.

Mansoor: But without the full map, how could he find the treasure?

Baba: Exactly, Mansoor. He couldn't. Sameer tried to convince him, saying, "Our father gave us both parts because we need them together to succeed." But Imran wouldn't listen. Instead, he claimed that his part was enough and ignored the truth in Sameer's part.

Mansoor: So did Sameer find the treasure?

Baba: Yes, because he followed the complete instructions. Imran, however, wandered aimlessly and blamed others for his failure.

Mansoor: Oh, I see now! This is like people who accept only some of Allah's guidance but ignore the rest.

Baba: Exactly, my dear. Allah sent different revelations to His prophets, but all of them came from Him and confirmed one another. Ignoring any part of Allah's truth is like refusing the full treasure map. It leads to loss, both in this world and the hereafter.

Mansoor: Thank you, Baba. I'll always try to follow everything Allah has revealed and not just parts of it.

Baba: Mashallah, that's the spirit, my son. Always remember, accepting the complete guidance of Allah leads us to His blessings and eternal success.

The Golden Calf and the Lesson of Patience

Baba and Mansoor are sitting under a tree in their backyard. Mansoor is playing with a golden toy camel while Baba is reading the Quran.

Mansoor: Baba, my teacher told us today about how some people worshipped a golden calf during Prophet Musa's time. Why did they do that? Didn't they know it was wrong?

Baba: That's a very good question, Mansoor. Allah talks about this in the Quran:

"And Moses had certainly brought you clear proofs. Then you took the calf [in worship] after that, while you were wrongdoers."

(Surah Al-Baqarah 2:92)

Let me tell you what happened and why.*

Mansoor: Yes, Baba! I want to know.

Baba: When Prophet Musa (peace be upon him) went to Mount Sinai to receive the commandments from Allah, he left the people in the care of his brother, Prophet Harun. But some people became impatient. They thought Musa wouldn't return. So, they melted their gold and made a calf to worship, even though Prophet Harun warned them it was wrong.

Mansoor: But Baba, why would they worship a statue when they already believed in Allah?

Baba: That's the sad part, my son. Sometimes, people lose patience or get influenced by others, even if they know the truth. The Israelites had seen so many miracles, like the splitting of the sea, but they still made a mistake. This shows us how important it is to stay strong in our faith and not give in to wrong desires or peer pressure.

Mansoor: What happened when Prophet Musa came back?

Baba: When Prophet Musa returned, he was very upset. He reminded the people of their promise to worship only Allah and guided them back to the right path. Allah forgave those who repented, but they had to face the consequences of their actions.

Mansoor: Oh, so they learned their lesson?

Baba: Yes, they did. This story teaches us patience, gratitude, and the importance of always staying true to our faith, no matter what happens around us.

Mansoor: Baba, does this mean we should never let anything become more important than Allah?

Baba: Exactly, Mansoor. Whether it's toys, games, or even our favorite activities, we should never let them distract us from remembering Allah and following His commands. Always trust Allah's plan and be patient, just like Prophet Musa taught his people.

Mansoor: Thank you, Baba. I'll try to always put Allah first.

Baba: Mashallah, my dear. May Allah keep you on the straight path.

Listening with the Heart

Baba and Mansoor are sitting in the living room. Mansoor is reading a storybook, but he seems distracted. Baba notices and decides to engage him in a meaningful conversation.

Mansoor: Baba, why is it so hard to always do what we are told, even when we know it's good for us?

Baba: Ah, Mansoor, that's a very thoughtful question. Let me tell you a story from the Quran that teaches us about listening and obedience.

Mansoor: A story? Yes, please, Baba!

Baba: Allah mentions in the Quran:

"And [recall] when We took your covenant and raised over you the mount, [saying], 'Take what We have given you with determination and listen.' They said [instead], 'We hear and disobey.' And their hearts absorbed [the worship of] the calf because of their disbelief."

(Surah Al-Baqara 2:93)

Mansoor: What happened, Baba? Why did they disobey?

Baba: When Allah gave the Israelites the Torah, He reminded them to follow it with determination and to truly listen. But instead of obeying, many of them said, "We hear and disobey." They had already allowed love for the golden calf to settle in their hearts, and this distracted them from obeying Allah.

Mansoor: So, they weren't really listening with their hearts, were they?

Baba: Exactly, Mansoor. Sometimes we hear with our ears, but if our hearts are filled with distractions or bad intentions, we don't truly understand or follow what we've been told.

Mansoor: But Baba, why did they worship a golden calf? Didn't they know it was wrong?

Baba: Yes, they knew. But their hearts had been influenced by bad habits and desires. This story teaches us that what we let into our hearts can shape our actions. If we fill our hearts with love for Allah and His guidance, we'll find it easier to obey Him.

Mansoor: I think I understand, Baba. It's like when you tell me to study, but I keep thinking about playing games. My heart isn't focused on what's right.

Baba: That's a good example, my dear. We need to train our hearts to focus on what pleases Allah. Listening with the heart means understanding why we are told to do something and trusting it's for our benefit.

Mansoor: I'll try harder, Baba. From now on, I'll listen with my heart too.

Baba: Mashallah, Mansoor. Remember, obedience to Allah and our elders helps us grow into good and responsible people. May Allah guide your heart always.

The Real Home

Baba and Mansoor are sitting on the veranda after their evening prayer. The stars are twinkling in the night sky.

Mansoor: Baba, can I ask you something?

Baba: Of course, Mansoor. What's on your mind?

Mansoor: In the Quran, it says something about wishing for death if people truly believe. What does that mean, Baba?

Baba: Ah, you're referring to this verse:

"Say, [O Muhammad], 'If the home of the Hereafter with Allah is for you alone and not the [other] people, then wish for death, if you should be truthful.' (Surah Al-Baqara 2:94).*

Mansoor: Yes, that one! Why would anyone wish for death, Baba?

Baba: Good question, my boy. Let me explain. This verse was revealed to address those who claimed that only they would have paradise. Allah challenged their claim by asking them to wish for death if they were truthful. You see, Mansoor, people who truly believe in Allah and have prepared for the Hereafter are not afraid of death because they know it leads them to their real home.

Mansoor: Our real home?

Baba: Yes, Mansoor. This world is temporary, like a school or a test. The Hereafter is where we will live forever. If we live righteously, follow Allah's guidance, and help others, we can earn a beautiful place in Jannah, our real home.

Mansoor: But Baba, doesn't everyone want to live longer?

Baba: That's natural, Mansoor. Life is a blessing from Allah, and we should value it. But we shouldn't forget that our ultimate goal is to meet Allah in the Hereafter. Those who truly love Allah look forward to being with Him while still doing their best in this life.

Mansoor: So, it's not about wishing for death, but about living in a way that makes us ready for the Hereafter?

Baba: Exactly, Mansoor! We must focus on doing good deeds, being kind, and obeying Allah's commands. Then, when the time comes, we won't fear it because we know Allah has prepared something wonderful for us.

Mansoor: I think I understand now, Baba. I'll try my best to prepare for our real home by doing good and listening to Allah's guidance.

Baba: Mashallah, Mansoor. That's the spirit. Always remember, this life is a journey, and Jannah is the destination we strive for. May Allah guide and bless you, my dear.

Mansoor: Ameen, Baba. Thank you for teaching me.

The Invisible Marks

Baba and Mansoor are sitting in the garden after Asr prayer. Mansoor has just returned from school, holding a report card in his hand.

Mansoor: Baba, I got my report card today! It's mostly good, but I made a few mistakes in my math test.

Baba: Let me see, Mansoor. (He looks at the report card and smiles.) You've done well, mashallah. But why do you think you made mistakes?

Mansoor: I didn't study enough for the test, Baba. I spent too much time playing.

Baba: (Nods thoughtfully.) Mansoor, this reminds me of an important lesson from the Quran.

Mansoor: Really, Baba? What is it?

Baba: Allah says:

"But they will never wish for it, ever, because of what their hands have put forth. And Allah is Knowing of the wrongdoers." (Surah Al-Baqara 2:95)

Mansoor: What does that mean, Baba?

Baba: It means that people who have done wrong, who have disobeyed Allah, know deep down that their actions are bad. When they think about meeting Allah, they feel afraid because of the wrong choices they made. Just like how you might feel nervous if you didn't prepare for an exam.

Mansoor: Oh, so it's like when I don't study, and then I worry about my results?

Baba: Exactly, Mansoor. But remember, Allah is Merciful. If we make mistakes, we should ask for His forgiveness and try to do better. What matters is that we recognize our errors and work hard to correct them.

Mansoor: So, if someone doesn't correct their mistakes, they'll feel scared to face Allah?

Baba: Yes, Mansoor. That's why it's so important to always do good deeds, avoid wrong actions, and ask for forgiveness. That way, when we meet Allah, we can feel at peace knowing we tried our best.

Mansoor: I understand now, Baba. I'll make sure to prepare for my tests and for the Hereafter too.

Baba: (Smiling warmly.) That's my boy. Always remember, Allah sees everything we do. If we make good choices, we'll never be afraid to stand before Him.

The Treasure of Life

Mansoor and Baba are sitting under the shade of a tree, enjoying a peaceful afternoon. Mansoor is looking at his toy car, and Baba notices that he seems deep in thought.

Mansoor: Baba, I've been thinking... why do some people want to live for so long? I sometimes hear people say they wish they could live forever.

Baba: (Smiling gently.) That's a very good question, Mansoor. People do sometimes wish for a long life, but they forget something important.

Mansoor: What do they forget, Baba?

Baba: Allah tells us in the Quran about people who are so attached to this world that they want to live forever. Allah says:

"And you will surely find them the most greedy of people for life... One of them wishes that he could be granted life a thousand years..." (Surah Al-Baqara 2:96)

Mansoor: Wow, a thousand years? But Baba, if someone lived that long, wouldn't they be happy?

Baba: That's what they think, Mansoor. But Allah reminds us that no matter how long someone lives, it won't save them from the consequences of their actions if they don't live rightly. Even a thousand years won't help them avoid the punishment if they didn't choose the right path.

Mansoor: So, even if someone lived forever, they would still face the consequences if they didn't do good things?

Baba: Yes, Mansoor. Life is not just about how long we live. It's about what we do with the time we have. Allah has given us this short life to do good deeds, help others, and get closer to Him.

Mansoor: I think I understand now. It's not how long we live, but how good we live.

Baba: Exactly, my son. Always remember, the most important thing is to use our time wisely, be kind to others, and remember Allah. This is the true treasure of life.

Mansoor: I will, Baba. I'll try my best to make every day count.

Baba: That's the right attitude, Mansoor. Keep making the most of your time, and insha'Allah, you'll be rewarded